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Sir:

STATUS INQUIRY

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on September 4, 2003. To date, Applicants have not received a first Office Action on the merits.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicants is required at this time.

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